



***Separation of Church and State
A Mormon Perspective***

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**Americans United for Separation of Church and State
Orange County Chapter - General Meeting**

Saturday, January 16th at 2:00 pm

Irvine Ranch Water District¹ 15600 Sand Canyon Ave. (at Waterworks) in Irvine



Join us for a panel discussion on the separation of church and state by two members of the Mormon Church from a progressive and conservative perspective.

Mormons have historically suffered extreme persecution within the United States facing exile and even extermination. The protections of the First Amendment to the Constitution provided a framework that has allowed the Mormon Church to survive and thrive in America.

Today Mormons are a political force including a credible Mormon candidate for



President of the United States in 2008 and also the shock troops that forced passage of Proposition 8 in 2008, denying gays and lesbians their constitutional rights to marry. A Mormon convert, Glenn Beck, is one of the most popular conservative commentators on Fox. Mormon political influence is increasing to rival the Catholic Church in some states.

So how does the separation of church and state stand today with Mormons? Is it the salvation that allowed the Mormon Church to thrive in America, or is it an impediment to the greater glory of the chosen? Come hear the viewpoints of two great intellects as they reconcile the law, the Constitution, and their vision for America and their religion.

The panel will be moderated by Karla Westphal and there will be opportunities for audience questions.

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